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MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated
December 13, 2002, Applicants respond as follows:

Applicants elect to prosecute the invention defined by
the Examiner as Group I, including Claims 1-14, drawn to a
semiconductor device. This election is made without traverse.

REMARKS

Examination is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted, \

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